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ELEMENT GROUP AND BATTERY
MANUFACTURED WITH THE SAME
METHOD

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Sir:

Prior to the first Official Action, it is respectfully
requested that the following amendments be made.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Paragraph for insertion at Page 1, Line 3:

A¹ The present application is based on and claims the
benefit of China patent application Serial No. 01107409.4, filed 3
January 2001 and China patent application Serial No. 01117743.8,
filed 8 May 2001, the contents of which are hereby incorporated by
reference in their entirety.

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 3, 5, 10 and 13-18 as follows:

A² 3. (Amended) The method for assembling a battery element group
according to Claim 2, wherein the plate with the other polarity is
a continuous S-shape folded plate, notches are provided at the
cross-positions of the two plates respectively, the two plates are
inserted in each other alternatively.

A³ 5. (Amended) The method for assembling a battery element group